DANVERS PRESERVATION COMMISSION Minutes of the Meeting of March 10, 2015

Ellen Graham, Chair, called the meeting, notice of which was given in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, to order at 7:02 P.M. in the Town Manager's Office in Town Hall.

Attending

Commission Members: Ellen Graham, Sandra Lane, Nathan Powers and Walter Sherwood. Absent: Gordon Thomson

Town Archivist: Richard Trask

Planning Department Staff: Susan Fletcher

Commission Volunteer/Secretary: Wayne Eisenhauer

Members of the Public: Libby Potter and Kathryn Morano

<u>February 17, 2015 Meeting Minutes</u> were accepted as submitted.

487 Locust Street

The Town has received the appraisal which is in the process of being reviewed. The demolition delay order runs only to April 29. The Commission and Town are (1) looking at possible sources of financing (Preservation Commission revolving fund, open space/conservation funds, etc.) to support an offer to purchase a preservation restriction on the structure and on part or all of the land and (2) what approvals/actions would be necessary to effectuate such an offer.

Libby Potter, representing the Preservation League of Essex County, stated that the best option would be purchase of the property and that the Preservation League will try to help in whatever way it can.

Town Archivist Trask stated that "It is most important to have the Porter Bradstreet House survive. Once it is gone, it is gone forever".

22 Conant Street

The Commission reviewed Atty. Nancy McCann's letter of March 9, 2015 and noted that John Archer and others were distributing informational flyers to St. Mary of the Annunciation parishioners.

Putnamville School

Various possible uses were discussed including restoration as a single School House, and, with a preservation restriction on the exterior, conversion to a single family residence possibly through Habitat for Humanity, and purchase by a non-profit.

The Commission adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Next meeting: April 14, 7 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Eisenhauer, Commission Volunteer/Secretary